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SUBJECT:MANDATE FOR SENAT TO NEGOTIATE REOPENING OF
TELTOW CANAL

REF: A.) BONN 10979 B.) BONN A-737 AUG,1972 C.) USBER
2316, DECEMBER 1974

1. ALTHOUGH WE TEND TO FAVOR BRITISH POSITION AND WOULD
PREFER THAT THE REFERENCE TO QA REMAIN IN THE TEXT OF
ALLIED MANDATE TO SENAT TO NEGOTIATE REOPENING OF
TELTOW CANAL (REF A) WE ARE PREPARED TO REMAIN FLEXIBLE
ON THE ISSUE. WE COULD ACCEPT TEXT WITHOUT QA REFERENCE
IF NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE ALLIED CONSENSUS.

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2. CONCERNING FORM, WE AGREE WITH FRENCH THAT BK/O NOT NECESSARY IN THIS CASE SINCE WE ARE CONCERNED WITH SIMPLE AUTHORIZATION TO SENAT AND ARE NOT ISSUING LEGISLATION. WE ARE NOT ENTIRELY CLEAR, HOWEVER, WHY ALLIES SHOULD USE BKC/L INSTEAD OF SIMPLE BK/L.

3. COMMENT; WE CAN SEE BASIS FOR UK ARGUMENT THAT REFERENCE TO ANNEX III OF QA SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN

MANDATE. (SEE ALSO USBER ARGUMENTS ON THIS POINT, WITH WHICH WE AGREE, REF C). ALTHOUGH REFERENCE IS DESIRABLE WE ARE NOT FULLY CONVINCED THAT IT IS REQUIRED. WE WOULD LIKE TO NOTE AT THIS POINT, HOWEVER, THAT FRENCH CONTENTION THAT IT "PROBLEMATIC" THAT ANNEX III OF QA REFERS TO TELTOW CANAL (PARA L REFTTEL A) DOES NOT SQUARE WITH TRIPARTITELY AGREED INTERPRETATION OF BACKGROUND ON NEGOTIATIONS SET FORTH ON PAGE 55 OF ATTACHMENT TO REF B. WE WOULD BE INTERESTED TO KNOW REASONS FOR FRENCH HAVING CHANGED THEIR VIEWS ON THIS POINT. INGERSOLL

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